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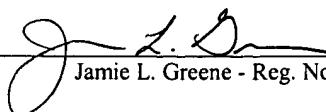
Please consider the following remarks in the above-identified application in view of the Preliminary Amendment filed July 30, 2003. The above-identified application is a continuation application of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/563,038, filed May 1, 2000. A Declaration by R. Paul Schaudies and Doreen A. Robinson Under 37 C.F.R. §1.132 is enclosed.

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